

January 31, 2014

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Ms. Jocelyn Boyd Chief Clerk and Administrator, South Carolina Public Service Commission Synergy Business Park, The Saluda Building 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Annual Lifeline Customer Recertification: FCC Form 555

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of the South Carolina Telephone Coalition companies and affiliated eligible telecommunications carriers ("ETCs") (see attached list), please find a copy of FCC Form 555. Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") regulations require all ETCs to file FCC Form 555 on an annual basis with the FCC, the Administrator of the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC"), and the relevant state commission to report the results of their annual Lifeline Customer Recertifications. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 54.416.

While the FCC rules state that a copy of these results must be provided to the state commission, the Commission is not required or asked to take any action at this time. Therefore, we are providing these forms for information purposes only. We are also providing a copy to the Office of Regulatory Staff, as Administrator of the Lifeline program in South Carolina.

Thank you for your assistance. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours, Margaret U. Tay

Margaret M. Fox

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cc: M. Elizabeth Ford, Lifeline Manager, ORS

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South Carolina Telephone Coalition Member Companies and Affiliated ETCs

Bluffton Telephone Company, Inc.

Chesnee Telephone Company

Chester Telephone Company, d/b/a TruVista

Comporium, Inc. (f/k/a Rock Hill Telephone Company)

Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

FTC Communications LLC

Ft. Mill Telephone Company, d/b/a Comporium

Hargray Telephone Company, Inc.

Home Telephone ILEC, LLC d/b/a Home Telecom

Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Lancaster Telephone Company, d/b/a Comporium

Lockhart Telephone Company, d/b/a TruVista

McClellanville Telephone Company (TDS)

Norway Telephone Company (TDS)

Palmetto Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Palmetto Telephone Communications

Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

PBT Telecom, d/b/a Comporium

Ridgeway Telephone Company, d/b/a TruVista

Sandhill Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

St. Stephen Telephone Company (TDS)

West Carolina Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Williston Telephone Company (TDS)

Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form

All carriers must complete all or portions of all sections

Form must be submitted to USAC and filed with the Federal Communications Commission

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Deadline: January 31st (Annually)

| South Carolina | |
|---|---|
| State (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provide a | a certification form for each state in which it provides Lifeline service). |
| 240512 & 240523 | Bluffton Tel. Co., Inc. & Hargray Tel. Co., Inc |
| Study Area Code(s) (SAC) | ETC Name(s) |
| | Hargray |
| Holding Company Name(s) | DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s) |
| Affiliated ETCs (include names and SACs, attach additional sheets if necessary) | |

Provide a list of all ETCs that are affiliated with the reporting ETC. Affiliation shall be determined in accordance with section 3(2) of the Communications Act. That Section defines "affiliate" as "a person that (directly or indirectly) owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, another person." 47 U.S.C. § 153(2). See also 47 C.F.R. § 76.1200.

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Section 1: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 1- Initial Certification

I certify that the company listed above has certification procedures in place either to:

- A) Review income and program-based eligibility documentation prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company was presented with documentation of each consumer's household income and/or program-based eligibility prior to his or her enrollment in Lifeline or
- B) Confirm consumer eligibility by relying upon access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program.

I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial.

<u>Section 2</u>: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 2– Annual Recertification Do not leave empty columns. If an ETC has nothing to report in a column, enter a zero.

| A | В | С |
|---|--|---|
| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year | Number of Lines Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to Wireline Resellers | Number of Subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 that were initially enrolled in current Form 555 calendar year |
| 131 | 0 | 12 |

Initial the certifications below that apply to your ETC and complete the tables corresponding to the certification below. Depending on the state, BOTH CERTIFICATION A AND B MAY APPLY.

A) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify the continued eligibility of all of its Lifeline subscribers, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company obtained signed certifications from all subscribers attesting to their continuing eligibility for Lifeline. Results are provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial

| D | Е | F=D-E | G | H = (F+G) | I |
|--|--|---|---|--|--|
| Number of Subscribers ETC Contacted Directly to Recertify Eligibility Through Attestation | Number of Subscribers Responding to ETC Contact | Number of Non- Responding Subscribers | Number of Subscribers Responding That They Are No Longer Eligible | Number of Subscribers De-enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 114 | 86 | 28 | 0 | 28 | 17 |

AND/OR

In the space below, please list the program eligibility data sources, such as ETC access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), and indicate for which qualifying programs (e.g., SNAP, SSI) these sources are used to verify subscriber eligibility. If any of subscribers are subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in columns D through I as appropriate and not in columns J through L.

| B) | I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to re-certify consumer eligibility by relying on |
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| • | . Results are |
| | provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial |

| J | К | L |
|---|---|--|
| Number of Subscribers Whose Eligibility was Reviewed By State Administrator ETC Access to Eligibility Data or by USAC | Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled as a Result of Finding of Ineligibility by State Administrator, ETC Access to Eligibility Data or USAC | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |

OR

C) I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial_____

Section 3: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SECTION 3 – De-enroll percentage What is the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC?

| M | N | О | P = N + O | $Q = ((P \div M) * 100)$ |
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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of a Finding of Ineligibility (From Column K) | Total Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-E nrolled | Percentage of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled that were Claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 |
| (From Column A) | (From Column H) | (From Column It) | | |
| 131 | 1 28 | 0 | 28 | 21% |

Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

| Is the ETC Pre-Paid? |
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| Yes No (A Pre-Paid ETC does not assess or collect a monthly fee from its Lifeline subscribers) |
| If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S below. |

Non-Usage Results Applicable to Pre-Paid ETCs:

| R | S |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| Month | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage |
| January | |
| February | |
| March | |
| April | |
| May | |
| June | |
| July | |
| August | |
| September | |
| October | |
| November | |
| December | |

Signature Block: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SIGNATURE FIELDS

By signing below, I certify that the company listed above is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above.

FCC Form 555 December 2013

| Signed, | | | |
|---|----------------------------------|--|--|
| \mathcal{M} | Andrew Rein | | |
| Signature of Officer | Printed Name of Officer | | |
| VP Sales & Marketing | 1/14/13 | | |
| Title of Officer | Date | | |
| Cissy Zareva | 843-686-1256 | | |
| Person Completing this Certification Form | Contact Phone Number | | |
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| Proc Li | autiCation | | |
| | entification ETC Name | | |
| SAC 240523 | Hargray Telephone Company, Inc. | | |
| 240512 | Bluffton Telephone Company, Inc. | | |
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| DBA, Marketing or (| Other Branding Name(s) | | |
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FCC Form 555 November 2012

Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form All carriers must complete Sections 1, 2, and 3. Carriers must complete Section 4, if applicable.

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| South Carolina | |
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| State Company of the | and any side a contification form for each state in which it |
| (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) provides Lifeline service). 240538 | must provide a certification form for each state in which it Piedmont Rural Telephone Coop., Inc. |
| Study Area Code(s) (SAC) | ETC Name(s) |
| | |
| Holding Company Name(s) | DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s) |
| Affiliated ETCs (include names and SACs, attach additional sheets if necessary) | |
| eligibility documentation prior to enrolling a knowledge, the company was presented with | rtification procedures in place to review income and program-based customer in the Lifeline program, and that, to the best of my documentation of each consumer's household income and/or nrollment in Lifeline. I am an officer of the company named above. the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial |
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| (List the specific SAC(s) for which you are mo areas within the state. Attach additional shee | aking this certification if it is not applicable to all of your study ets if necessary). |
| AND/OR | |
| prior to enrolling a customer in the Lifeline prior to enrolling a customer in the Lifeline prior enrolling a customer in the Lifeline prior to enrolling a cust | ms consumer eligibility by relying on Documentation from State programs rogram. (Please list the program eligibility data sources, such as of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator and indicate for |
| officer of the company named above. I am at above. Initial | these sources are used to verify consumer eligibility). I am an athorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed |
| officer of the company named above. I am at | these sources are used to verify consumer eligibility). I am an atthorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed |

(List the specific SAC(s) for which you are making this certification if it is not applicable to all of your study areas within the state. Attach additional sheets if necessary).

FCC Form 555 November 2012

<u>Section 2</u>: All ETCs(Initial the certification that applies to your ETC, and if applicable, complete columns A through L the tables below. Attach additional sheets if necessary).

I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to re-certify the continued eligibility of all of its Lifeline customers, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company obtained signed certifications from all consumers attesting to their continuing eligibility for Lifeline, except those subscribers whose eligibility was verified by the company through the use of other sources of eligibility information as well as those subscribers who were re-certified by the state Lifeline administrator. Results are provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above.

| A | В |
|--|--|
| Number of Subscribers Claimed on May FCC Form(s) 497 | Number of Lines Claimed on May FCC Form(s) 497 Provided to Wireline Resellers |
| 91 | 0 |

| С | D | E=C-D | F | G = (E+F) | Н |
|--|--|---|---|---|--|
| Number of Subscribers ETC Contacted Directly to Recertify Eligibility Through Attestation | Number of Subscribers Responding to ETC Contact | Number of Non- Responding Subscribers | Number of Subscribers Responding That They Are No Longer Eligible | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled as a Result of Non- Response or Ineligibility | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 97 | 75 | 22 | 12 | 34 | 0 |

| I | J | K | L |
|---|---|---|---|
| Number of Subscribers Whose Eligibility was Reviewed By State Administrator or By ETC Access to Eligibility Data | Number of Subscribers Whose Eligibility Was Examined by State Administrator or By ETC Access to Eligibility Data and Found to be Incligible | Number of Customers De- enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of a Finding of Ineligibility | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| FCC | Form | 555 |
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| Nove | mber | 2012 |

| I certify that my company did not claim federal Low Income support for any Lifeline customers prior to June |
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| (insert current year). I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for |
| the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial |
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(List the specific SAC(s) for which you are making this certification if it is not applicable to all of your study areas within the state. Attach additional sheets if necessary).

Section 3: All ETCs (Initial the certification below).

I certify that the company listed above is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial

Section 4: Non-Usage Applicable to Certain Pre-Paid ETCs (the ETC does not assess or collect a monthly fee from its Lifeline subscribers)(Record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column N below).

| M | N Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage | | |
|-----------|---|--|--|
| Month | | | |
| January | | | |
| February | | | |
| March | | | |
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| July | | | |
| August | | | |
| September | | | |
| October | | | |
| November | | | |
| December | | | |

| Signed, | Randal J. Odom |
|---|-------------------------|
| Signature of Officer | Printed Name of Officer |
| Chief Executive Officer | |
| Title of Officer | Date |
| Brandi Thompson | 864-682-3131 |
| Person Completing this Certification Form | Contact Phone Number |

FCC Form 555 November 2012

Submit to USAC using only ONE method:

Fax to:

(202) 776-0080

E-mail to:

LiVerifications@usac.org Mail to: USAC - Low Income Program

2000 L Street, NW, Suite 200 Washington, DC20036

Filing Instructions: Submit to USAC via one of the methods below.

- 1. Submit electronically via USAC's E-File portal. Instructions are available at www.usac.org.
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- 3. Email to LiVerifications@usac.org.
- 4. Mail to USAC Low Income Program, 2000 L Street NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20036.

Information Fields:

State

Enter the state for which the eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) is filing this certification. An ETC must provide a certification form for each state in which it provides Lifeline service. Use a separate Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form for each state.

Study Area Code(s) SAC

Enter the six-digit study area code (SAC), or codes, for the state for which the certification is filed. An ETC may include multiple SACs on one form only if the ETC has more than one SAC in the state indicated.

ETC Name(s)

Enter the corporate name of the ETC submitting the Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form.

Holding Company Name(s)

Enter the corporate name of the holding company of the ETC.

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| South Carolina | |
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| State | |
| (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must pr | rovide a certification form for each state in which it provides Lifeline service). |
| 240515 | Chesnee Telephone Company, Inc. |
| Study Area Code(s) (SAC) | ETC Name(s) |
| | Chesnee Communications |
| Holding Company Name(s) | DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s) |
| Affiliated ETCs (include names and SACs, attacaditional sheets if necessary) | ch |

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| 220 | | 3 |

Initial the certifications below that apply to your ETC and complete the tables corresponding to the certification below. Depending on the state, BOTH CERTIFICATION A AND B MAY APPLY.

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| D | E | F =D-E | G | H = (F-G) | 1 |
|--|--|---|---|--|--|
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| 185 | 167 | 18 | 5 | 23 | 32 |

AND/OR

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| J | K | L |
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Section 3: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SECTION 3 – De-enroll percentage What is the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC?

| M | Ŋ | 0 | P = N + O | Q = ((P + M) * 100) |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of a Finding of Ineligibility | Total Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-E arolled | Percentage of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled that were Claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 49* |
| (From Column A) | (From Column H) | (From Column K) | | |
| 220 | 23 | 0 | 23 | 10% |

Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

| Is the | ETC | Pro- | Pni | 17 |
|--------|-----|------|-----|----|
| | | | | |

| Yes | No | - | X (A | . Pre-Paid ETC does | not assess or co ll ect | a monthly fee | from its Life t i | ne subscribers) |
|-----|----|---|------|---------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|-----------------|

If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S below.

Non-Usage Results Applicable to Pre-Paid ETCs:

| R | S |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| Month | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage |
| January | |
| February | |
| March | |
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| July | |
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FCC Form 555 December 2013

| Townsh a Lawrenter | Hannah A. Lancaster |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Signature of Officer | Printed Name of Officer |
| President | January 23, 2014 |
| Title of Officer Annette Williams | Date |
| Person Completing this Certification Form | 864-461-0028 |
| reison Completing this Certification Form | Contact Phone Number |
| | CIdentification |
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December 2013 Affiliated ETCs Name SAC

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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year | Number of Lines Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to Wireline Resellers | Number of Subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 that were initially enrolled in current Form 555 calendar year |
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| Number of Subscribers ETC Contacted Directly to Recertify Eligibility Through Attestation | Number of Subscribers Responding to ETC Contact | Number of Non- Responding Subscribers | Number of Subscribers Responding That They Are No Longer Eligible | Number of Subscribers De-enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
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AND/OR

In the space below, please list the program eligibility data sources, such as ETC access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), and indicate for which qualifying programs (e.g., SNAP, SSI) these sources are used to verify subscriber eligibility. If any of subscribers are subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in columns D through I as appropriate and not in columns J through L.

B) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to re-certify consumer eligibility by relying on Universal Service Administrative Company-USAC . Results are provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial TTH

| J | K | L |
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| Number of Subscribers Whose Eligibility was Reviewed By State Administrator ETC Access to Eligibility Data or by USAC | Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled as a Result of Finding of Ineligibility by State Administrator, ETC Access to Eligibility Data or USAC | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
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OR

C) I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial _____

Section 3: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SECTION 3 – De-enroll percentage What is the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC?

| M | N | 0 | P = N + O | $Q = ((P \div M) * 100)$ |
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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of a Finding of Ineligibility | Total Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-E nrolled | Percentage of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled that were Claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 |
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Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

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If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S below.

Non-Usage Results Applicable to Pre-Paid ETCs:

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| Month | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage |
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Signature Block: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SIGNATURE FIELDS

By signing below, I certify that the company listed above is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above.

FCC Form 555 December 2013

Signed,

| Signature of Officer | Printed Name of Officer 27 JANUARY 2014 |
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| VP-Admin. & Regulatory Affairs | |
| Title of Officer | Date (2022) 501 0164 |
| Thomas T. Harper | (803) 581-9164 |
| Person Completing this Certification Form | Contact Phone Number |
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Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form

All carriers must complete all or portions of all sections
Form must be submitted to USAC and filed with the Federal Communications Commission

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Deadline: January 31st (Annually)

| South Carolina | |
|---|---|
| State | |
| (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provide | e a certification form for each state in which it provides Lifeline service). |
| 240532 | Lockhart Telephone Company |
| Study Area Code(s) (SAC) | ETC Name(s) |
| Chester Telephone Company | TruVista |
| Holding Company Name(s) | DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s) |
| | |
| Affiliated ETCs (include names and SACs, attach additional sheets if necessary) | 240516 Chester Telephone Company |

Provide a list of all ETCs that are affiliated with the reporting ETC. Affiliation shall be determined in accordance with section 3(2) of the Communications Act. That Section defines "affiliate" as "a person that (directly or indirectly) owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, another person." 47 U.S.C. § 153(2). See also 47 C.F.R. § 76.1200.

For purposes of this filing, an officer is an occupant of a position listed in the article of incorporation, articles of formation, or other similar legal document. An officer is a person who occupies a position specified in the corporate by-laws (or partnership agreement), and would typically be president, vice president for operations, vice president for finance, comptroller, treasurer, or a comparable position. If the filer is a sole proprietorship, the owner must sign the certification

Section 1: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 1- Initial Certification

I certify that the company listed above has certification procedures in place either to:

- A) Review income and program-based eligibility documentation prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company was presented with documentation of each consumer's household income and/or program-based eligibility prior to his or her enrollment in Lifeline or
- B) Confirm consumer eligibility by relying upon access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program.

I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial ${
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Section 2: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 2- Annual Recertification

Do not leave empty columns. If an ETC has nothing to report in a column, enter a zero.

| A | В | С |
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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year | Number of Lines Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to Wireline Resellers | Number of Subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 that were initially enrolled in current Form 555 calendar year |
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Initial the certifications below that apply to your ETC and complete the tables corresponding to the certification below. Depending on the state, BOTH CERTIFICATION A AND B MAY APPLY.

A) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify the continued eligibility of all of its Lifeline subscribers, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company obtained signed certifications from all subscribers attesting to their continuing eligibility for Lifeline. Results are provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial TTH

| D | Е | F =D-E | G | H = (F+G) | I |
|---|--|---|---|--|--|
| Number of Subscribers ETC Contacted Directly to Recertify Eligibility Through Attestation | Number of Subscribers Responding to ETC Contact | Number of Non- Responding Subscribers | Number of Subscribers Responding That They Are No Longer Eligible | Number of Subscribers De-enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Incligibility | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

AND/OR

In the space below, please list the program eligibility data sources, such as ETC access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), and indicate for which qualifying programs (e.g., SNAP, SSI) these sources are used to verify subscriber eligibility. If any of subscribers are subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in columns D through I as appropriate and not in columns J through L.

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OR

C) I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial _____

Section 3: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SECTION 3 – De-enroll percentage What is the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC?

| M | N | О | P = N + O | Q = ((P + M) * 100) |
|---------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Number of | Number of Subscribers | Number of Subscribers | Total Number of | Percentage of Subscribers |
| Subscribers Claimed | De- Enrolled or | De- Enrolled or | Subscribers De-Enrolled | De-Enrolled or Scheduled to |
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| | Ineligibility | | | |
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Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

| Is | the | ETC | Pre- | Paid? |
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| Yes | | No | X | (A Pre-Paid ETC does not asses | s or collect a monthly | fee | from its L | ifeline subscribers |
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If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S below.

Non-Usage Results Applicable to Pre-Paid ETCs:

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| Month | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage |
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Signature Block: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SIGNATURE FIELDS

By signing below, I certify that the company listed above is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above.

FCC Form 555 December 2013

| Signed, | |
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| 7 homes 7- Happy Signature of Officer | Thomas T. Harper |
| Signature of Officer | Printed Name of Officer |
| VP-Admin. & Regulatory Affairs | 27 January 2014 |
| Title of Officer | Date |
| Thomas T. Harper | (803) 581-9164 |
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Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form

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Deadline: January 31st (Annually)

| South Carolina | |
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| State | |
| $(An\ Eligible\ Telecommunications\ Carrier\ (ETC)\ must\ provide$ | a certification form for each state in which it provides Lifeline service). |
| 240541 | Ridgeway Telephone Company |
| Study Area Code(s) (SAC) | ETC Name(s) |
| Chester Telephone Company | TruVista |
| Holding Company Name(s) | DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s) |
| Affiliated ETCs (include names and SACs, attach additional sheets if necessary) | 240516 Chester Telephone Company |

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I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. **Initial** TTH

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OR

C) I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. **Initial**_____

Section 3: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SECTION 3 – De-enroll percentage What is the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC?

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Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

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FCC Form 555 December 2013

| Signed, | | | |
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| Themes I Happy | Thomas T. Harper | | |
| Signature of Officer | Printed Name of Officer | | |
| VP-Admin. & Regulatory Affairs | 27 January 2014 | | |
| Title of Officer | Date | | |
| Thomas T. Harper | (803) 581-9164 | | |
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Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form

All carriers must complete all or portions of all sections
Form must be submitted to USAC and filed with the Federal Communications Commission

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Deadline: January 31st (Annually)

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| State (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provide a c | certification form for each state in which it provides Lifeline service). |
| 240520 | Farmers Telephone Cooperative Inc. |
| Study Area Code(s) (SAC) | ETC Name(s) |
| | FTC |
| Holding Company Name(s) | DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s) |
| Affiliated ETCs (include names and SACs, attach additional sheets if necessary) | FTC Communications LLC 249002 |

Provide a list of all ETCs that are affiliated with the reporting ETC. Affiliation shall be determined in accordance with section 3(2) of the Communications Act. That Section defines "affiliate" as "a person that (directly or indirectly) owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, another person." 47 U.S.C. § 153(2). See also 47 C.F.R. § 76.1200.

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I certify that the company listed above has certification procedures in place either to:

- A) Review income and program-based eligibility documentation prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company was presented with documentation of each consumer's household income and/or program-based eligibility prior to his or her enrollment in Lifeline or
- B) Confirm consumer eligibility by relying upon access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program.

| I am an office | er of the company | named above. | I am authorized | to make this | certification | for the Study | Area(s) |
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Section 2: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 2- Annual Recertification

Do not leave empty columns. If an ETC has nothing to report in a column, enter a zero.

| A | В | С |
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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year | Number of Lines Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to Wireline Resellers | Number of Subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 that were initially enrolled in current Form 555 calendar year |
| 1449 | 0 | 208 |

Initial the certifications below that apply to your ETC and complete the tables corresponding to the certification below. Depending on the state, BOTH CERTIFICATION A AND B MAY APPLY.

A) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify the continued eligibility of all of its Lifeline subscribers, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company obtained signed certifications from all subscribers attesting to their continuing eligibility for Lifeline. Results are provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial jl

| D | Е | F=D-E | G | H = (F+G) | I |
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| Number of Subscribers ETC Contacted Directly to Recertify Eligibility Through Attestation | Number of Subscribers Responding to ETC Contact | Number of Non- Responding Subscribers | Number of Subscribers Responding That They Are No Longer Eligible | Number of Subscribers De-enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 1092 | 589 | 503 | 2 | 505 | 149 |

AND/OR

In the space below, please list the program eligibility data sources, such as ETC access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and indicate for which qualifying programs (e.g., SNAP, SSI) these sources are used to verify subscriber eligibility. If any of subscribers are subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in columns D through I as appropriate and not in columns J through L.

| B) | I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to re-certify | consumer eligibility by relying on |
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| | | . Results are |
| | provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. | I am authorized to make this |
| | certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial | |

| J | K | L |
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| Number of Subscribers Whose Eligibility was Reviewed By State Administrator ETC Access to Eligibility Data or by USAC | Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled as a Result of Finding of Incligibility by State Administrator, ETC Access to Eligibility Data or USAC | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |

OR

C) I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. **Initial**_____

Is the ETC Pre-Paid?

<u>Section 3</u>: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SECTION 3 –De-enroll percentage What is the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC?

| M | N | 0 | P = N + O | $Q = ((P \div M) * 100)$ |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 (From Column A) | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility (From Column H) | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of a Finding of Ineligibility (From Column K) | Total Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-E nrolled | Percentage of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled that were Claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 |
| 1449 | 505 | 0 | 505 | 35% |

Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

| Yes | No | (A Pre-Paid ETC does not assess or collect a monthly fee from its Lifeline subscribers) |
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If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S below.

Non-Usage Results Applicable to Pre-Paid ETCs:

| R | S |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| Month | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage |
| January | |
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Signature Block: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SIGNATURE FIELDS

By signing below, I certify that the company listed above is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above.

FCC Form 555 December 2013

Signed,

| Jeffrey Lawrimore | Jeffrey Lawrimore | |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| Signature of Officer | Printed Name of Officer | |
| Chief Financial Officer | Jan-30-14 | |
| Title of Officer | Date | |
| Sandra Moore | 843-382-1313 | |
| Person Completing this Certification Form | Contact Phone Number | |

ETC Identification

| SAC | ETC Name |
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| 240520 | Farmers Telephone Cooperative Inc. |
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DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s)

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Deadline: January 31st (Annually)

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| State | |
| (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provide | a certification form for each state in which it provides Lifeline service). |
| 249002 | FTC Communications LLC |
| Study Area Code(s) (SAC) | ETC Name(s) |
| Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. | FTC Communications, LLC dba FTC Wireless |
| Holding Company Name(s) | DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s) |
| Affiliated ETCs (include names and SACs, attach additional sheets if necessary) | Farmers Telephone Cooperative Inc. 240520 |

Provide a list of all ETCs that are affiliated with the reporting ETC. Affiliation shall be determined in accordance with section 3(2) of the Communications Act. That Section defines "affiliate" as "a person that (directly or indirectly) owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, another person." 47 U.S.C. § 153(2). See also 47 C.F.R. § 76.1200.

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- B) Confirm consumer eligibility by relying upon access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program.

I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial GDA

Section 2: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 2- Annual Recertification

Do not leave empty columns. If an ETC has nothing to report in a column, enter a zero.

| A | В | С |
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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year | Number of Lines Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to Wireline Resellers | Number of Subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 that were initially enrolled in current Form 555 calendar year |
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Initial the certifications below that apply to your ETC and complete the tables corresponding to the certification below. Depending on the state, BOTH CERTIFICATION A AND B MAY APPLY.

A) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify the continued eligibility of all of its Lifeline subscribers, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company obtained signed certifications from all subscribers attesting to their continuing eligibility for Lifeline. Results are provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial GD/

| D | Е | F=D-E | G | H = (F+G) | I |
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| Number of Subscribers ETC Contacted Directly to Recertify Eligibility Through Attestation | Number of Subscribers Responding to ETC Contact | Number of Non- Responding Subscribers | Number of Subscribers Responding That They Are No Longer Eligible | Number of Subscribers De-enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 11 | 4 | 7 | 0 | 7 | 1 |

AND/OR

In the space below, please list the program eligibility data sources, such as ETC access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and indicate for which qualifying programs (e.g., SNAP, SSI) these sources are used to verify subscriber eligibility. If any of subscribers are subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in columns D through I as appropriate and not in columns J through L.

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OR

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Is the ETC Pre-Paid?

<u>Section 3</u>: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SECTION 3 –De-enroll percentage What is the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC?

| M | N | О | P = N + O | $Q = ((P \div M) \star 100)$ |
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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 (From Column A) | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility (From Column H) | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of a Finding of Ineligibility (From Column K) | Total Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-E nrolled | Percentage of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled that were Claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 |
| 15 | 7 | 0 | 7 | 47% |

Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

| Yes No | (A Pre-Paid ETC does | s not assess or collect a monthly fe | e from its Lifeline subscribers) |
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If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S below.

Non-Usage Results Applicable to Pre-Paid ETCs:

| R | S |
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| Month | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage |
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Signature Block: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SIGNATURE FIELDS

FCC Form 555 December 2013

Signed,

| Guy Dent Adams | Guy Dent Adams | |
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| Signature of Officer | Printed Name of Officer | |
| COO Subsidiaries | Jan-30-14 | |
| Title of Officer | Date | |
| Sandra Moore | 843-382-1313 | |
| Person Completing this Certification Form | Contact Phone Number | |

ETC Identification

| SAC | ETC Name |
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| 249002 | FTC Communications LLC |
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Holding Company Name(s)

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| 249002 | Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. |
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DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s)

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| 249002 | FTC Communications, LLC dba FTC Wireless |
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Deadline: January 31st (Annually)

| South Carolina | |
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| State (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provide a | certification form for each state in which it provides Lifeline service). |
| 240521 | Fort Mill Telephone Company |
| Study Area Code(s) (SAC) | ETC Name(s) |
| Comporium, Inc. | Comporium Communications |
| Holding Company Name(s) | DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s) |
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I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial

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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year | Number of Lines Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to Wireline Resellers | Number of Subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 that were initially enrolled in current Form 555 calendar year |
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Initial the certifications below that apply to your ETC and complete the tables corresponding to the certification below. Depending on the state, BOTH CERTIFICATION A AND B MAY APPLY.

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| Number of Subscribers ETC Contacted Directly to Recertify Eligibility Through Attestation | Number of Subscribers Responding to ETC Contact | Number of Non- Responding Subscribers | Number of Subscribers Responding That They Are No Longer Eligible | Number of Subscribers De-enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 219 | 162 | 57 | 4 | 61 | 43 |

AND/OR

In the space below, please list the program eligibility data sources, such as ETC access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), and indicate for which qualifying programs (e.g., SNAP, SSI) these sources are used to verify subscriber eligibility. If any of subscribers are subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in columns D through I as appropriate and not in columns J through L.

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| 0 | 0 | 0 |

OR

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Section 3: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SECTION 3 – De-enroll percentage What is the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC?

| M | N | 0 | P = N + O | $Q = ((P \div M) * 100)$ |
|---------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Number of | Number of Subscribers | Number of Subscribers | Total Number of | Percentage of Subscribers |
| Subscribers Claimed | De- Enrolled or | De-Enrolled or | Subscribers De-Enrolled | De-Enrolled or Scheduled to |
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| Form(s) 497 | Enrolled as a Result of | Enrolled as a Result of | nrolled | Claimed on the |
| | Non-Response or | a Finding of Ineligibility | | February FCC Form(s) 497 |
| | Ineligibility | | | |
| (From Column A) | (From Column H) | (From Column K) | | |
| 262 | 61 | 0 | 61 | 23% |

Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

| Is the ETC Pre-Paid? |
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| Yes No (A Pre-Paid ETC does not assess or collect a monthly fee from its Lifeline subscribers) |
| If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S below |

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| D | E | F=D-E | G | H = (F+G) | Y |
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AND/OR

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OR

C) I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial

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| M | N | 0 | P = N + O | $Q = ((P \div M) \star 100)$ |
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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 (From Column A) | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility (From Column H) | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of a Finding of Ineligibility (From Column K) | Total Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-E nrolled | Percentage of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled that were Claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 |
| 418 | 255 | 0 | 255 | 61% |

Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

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If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S below.

Non-Usage Results Applicable to Pre-Paid ETCs:

| R | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage | | |
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| Month | | | |
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| Title of Officer | Date ' | |
| Denny Thompson | 843-761-9101 | |
| Person Completing this Certification Form | Contact Phone Number | |

ETC Identification

| SAC | ETC Name |
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| 240527 | Home Telephone ILEC LLC |
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| 240528 | Horry Telephone Cooperative Inc. |
| Study Area Code(s) (SAC) | ETC Name(s) |
| Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc. | |
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| 836 | 0 | 20 |

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| 681 | 552 | 129 | 4 | 133 | 135 |

AND/OR

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| M | N | 0 | P = N + O | Q = ((P + M) + 100) |
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| 836 | 133 | 0 | 133 | 16% |

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| Is the ETC Pre-Paid | Is | the | ETC | Pre- | -Paid |
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Non-Usage Results Applicable to Pre-Paid ETCs:

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| Month | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage |
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| Person Completing this Certification Form | Contact Phone Number | | |

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| | Non-Response or | a Finding of Ineligibility | | February FCC Form(s) 497 |
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| 1628 | 385 | 0 | 385 | 24% |

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I certify that the company listed above has certification procedures in place either to:

- A) Review income and program-based eligibility documentation prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company was presented with documentation of each consumer's household income and/or program-based eligibility prior to his or her enrollment in Lifeline or
- B) Confirm consumer eligibility by relying upon access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program.

| I am an officer of the company listed above. Initial | named above. | I am authorized to | make this certifica | tion for the Study | Area(s) |
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Section 2: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 2—Annual Recertification
Do not leave empty columns. If an ETC has nothing to report in a column, enter a zero.

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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year | Number of Lines Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to Wireline Resellers | Number of Subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 that were initially enrolled in current Form 555 calendar year |
| 1410 | 0 | 40 |

Initial the certifications below that apply to your ETC and complete the tables corresponding to the certification below. Depending on the state, BOTH CERTIFICATION A AND B MAY APPLY.

A) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify the continued eligibility of all of its Lifeline subscribers, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company obtained signed certifications from all subscribers attesting to their continuing eligibility for Lifeline. Results are provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial

| D | Е | F =D-E | G | H = (F+G) | I |
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| Number of Subscribers ETC Contacted Directly to Recertify Eligibility Through Attestation | Number of Subscribers Responding to ETC Contact | Number of Non- Responding Subscribers | Number of Subscribers Responding That They Are No Longer Eligible | Number of Subscribers De-enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 1222 | 835 | 387 | 2 | 389 | 188 |

AND/OR

In the space below, please list the program eligibility data sources, such as ETC access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), and indicate for which qualifying programs (e.g., SNAP, SSI) these sources are used to verify subscriber eligibility. If any of subscribers are subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in columns D through I as appropriate and not in columns J through L.

| B) | I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to re-certify consumer eligibility by relying or |
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| | Results are |
| | provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this |
| | certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial |

| J | К | L |
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| Number of Subscribers Whose Eligibility was Reviewed By State Administrator ETC Access to Eligibility Data or by USAC | Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled as a Result of Finding of Ineligibility by State Administrator, ETC Access to Eligibility Data or USAC | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |

OR

C) I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial _____ Section 3: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SECTION 3 – De-enroll percentage What is the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC?

| <u>M</u> | N | О | P = N + O | $Q = ((P \div M) * 100)$ |
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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 (From Column A) | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility (From Column H) | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of a Finding of Ineligibility (From Column K) | Total Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-E nrolled | Percentage of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled that were Claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 |
| 1410 | 390 | 0 | 390 | 28% |

Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

| Is the ETC Pre-Paid? |
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| Yes No (A Pre-Paid ETC does not assess or collect a monthly fee from its Lifeline subscribers) |
| If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S below. |

Non-Usage Results Applicable to Pre-Paid ETCs:

| R | S |
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| Month | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage |
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Signature Block: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SIGNATURE FIELDS

FCC Form 555 December 2013

| Signed, | | |
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| Walter | Matthew L. Dosch | |
| Signature of Officer | Printed Name of Officer | |
| SVP- External Affairs | 01/13/2014 | |
| Title of Officer | Date | |
| Tara Thomas | 803-326-6501 | : |
| Person Completing this Certification Form | Contact Phone Number | |
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All carriers must complete all or portions of all sections
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Deadline: January 31st (Annually)

| South Carolina | |
|---|--|
| State (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provide | le a certification form for each state in which it provides Lifeline service). |
| 4 SAC codes | 4 companies (see attached) |
| Study Area Code(s) (SAC) | ETC Name(s) |
| TDS Telecommunications Corp, Inc. | TDS Telecom, TDS |
| Holding Company Name(s) | DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s) |
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- B) Confirm consumer eligibility by relying upon access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program.

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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 | Number of Lines Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to | Number of Subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 that were initially enrolled in current Form 555 calendar year |
| calendar year 260 | Wireline Resellers | 41 |

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| D | E | F=D-E | G | H = (F+G) | I |
|---|--|---|---|--|--|
| Number of Subscribers ETC Contacted Directly to Recertify Eligibility Through | Number of Subscribers Responding to ETC Contact | Number of Non- Responding Subscribers | Number of Subscribers Responding That They Are No Longer Eligible | Number of Subscribers De-enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| Attestation 71 | 175 | 70 | \sim | Ineligibility 70 | <u> </u> |
| 243 | | 70 | | 10 | |

AND/OR

In the space below, please list the program eligibility data sources, such as ETC access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), and indicate for which qualifying programs (e.g., SNAP, SSI) these sources are used to verify subscriber eligibility. If any of subscribers are subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in columns D through I as appropriate and not in columns J through L.

B) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to re-certify consumer eligibility by relying on ______. Results are provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Arca(s) listed above. Initial _____

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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 (From Column A) | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility (From Column 11) | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of a Finding of Incligibility (From Column K) | Total Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-E nrolled | Percentage of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled that were Claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 |
| 260 | 70 | 0 | 70 | 26.92 |

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| Yes No A Pre-Paid ETC does not assess or collect a monthly fee from its Lifeline subscribers) |
| If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S below |

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Signature Block: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SIGNATURE FIELDS

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| ignature of Officer | Printed Name of Officer |
| | 1/30/2014 |
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| ennifer Lautenschleger | 608-664-4148 |
| Person Completing this Certification Form | Contact Phone Number |
| erson completing this contineation form | |
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| | ETC Identification |
| SAC | ETC Name |
| 240533 | McClellanville Telephone Co. |
| 240535 | Norway Telephone Co. |
| 240544 | St. Stephen Telephone Co. |
| 240551 | Williston Telephone Co. |
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| SAC | Name |
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| 190217 | Amelia Telephone Corporation |
| 300585 | Arcadia Telephone Company |
| 452171 | Arizona Telephone Company |
| 361350 | Arvig Telephone Company |
| 532404 | Asotin Telephone Company (OR) |
| 522404 | Asotin Telephone Company (WA) |
| 330844 | Badger Telecom, LLC |
| 230469 | Barnardsville Telephone Company |
| 330849 | Black Earth Telephone Company, LLC. |
| 220346 | Blue Ridge Telephone Company |
| 330851 | Bonduel Telephone Company, LLC. |
| 361362 | Bridge Water Telephone Co. |
| 330856 | Burlington, Brighton & Wheatland Telephone Company, LLC |
| 250284 | Butler Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 280448 | Calhoun City Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 220351 | Camden Telephone and Telegraph Company, Inc. |
| 320744 | Camden Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 330859 | Central State Telephone Company, ILC |
| 310685 | Chatham Telephone Company |
| 401698 | Cleveland County Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 100005 | Cobbosseecontee Telephone Company |
| 320776 | Communications Corporation of Indiana |
| 310672 | Communications Corporation of Michigan |
| | Communications Corporation of Southern Indiana |
| 320809 200550 | Concord Telephone Exchange, Inc |
| 290559 | Continental Telephone Company |
| 300607 | Decatur Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 401699 | Decator relephone company, mc. Delta County Tele-Comm, Inc. |
| 462184 | Deposit Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 150089 | Dickeyville Telephone, LLC |
| 330875 | EastCoast Telecom of Wisconsin, LLC |
| 330914 | Edwards Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 150092 | |
| 330880 | The Farmers Telephone Company, LLC Grantland Telecom, LLC |
| 330930 | Hampden Telephone Company |
| 100010 | |
| 542321 | Happy Valley Telephone Company Hartland & St. Albahs Telephone Company |
| 100011 | |
| 532377 | Home Telephone Company |
| 320777 | The Home Telephone Company of Pittsboro, Inc. |
| 320778 | Home Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 542322 | Hornitos Telephone Company |
| 290566 | Humphreys County Telephone Company |
| 310677 | Island Telephone Company |
| 120045 | Kearsage Telephone Company |
| 361413 | KMP d/b/a Mid-State Telephone Company |
| 260411 | Leslie County Telephone Company |
| 522427 | Lewis River Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 260412 | Lewisport Telephone Co. |

| ISAC | Name |
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| SAC 200613 | Little Miami Communications Corporation |
| 300613 140058 | Ludlow Telephone Company |
| | Mahanoy & Mahantango Telephone Company |
| 170183 | McClellanville Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 240533 | |
| 522430 | McDaniel Telephone Company |
| 320788 | The Merchants and Farmers Telephone Company |
| 123321 | MCTA |
| 120047 | Merrimack County Telephone Company |
| 432010 | Mid-America Telephone, Inc. |
| 330881 | Mid-Plains Telephone, LLC |
| 361433 | Mid-State Telephone Company |
| 330909 | Midway Telephone Company, LLC |
| 330917 | Mt. Vernon Telephone Company, LLC |
| 330915 | Mosinee Telehphone Company |
| 287449 | Myrtle Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 220375 | Nelson-Ball Ground Telephone Company |
| 193029 | New Castle Telephone Co. |
| 421928 | New London Telephone Company |
| 140061 | Northfield Telephone Company |
| 240535 | Norway Telephone Co. Inc |
| 250311 | Oakman Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 300645 | Oakwood Telephone Company |
| 431984 | Oklahoma Communication Systems, Inc. |
| 421934 | Orchard Farm Telephone Company |
| 150114 | Oriskany Falls Telephone Corporation |
| 250314 | Peoples Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 140062 | Perkinsville Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 150118 | Port Byron Telephone Company |
| 472230 | Potlatch Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 210338 | Quincy Telephone Company |
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| 330943 | Riverside Telecom, LLC |
| 320816 | S & W Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 260417 | Salem Telephone Co. |
| 230498 | Saluda Mountain Telephone Co. |
| 330945 | Scandinavia Telephone Company, LLC |
| 230500 | Service Telephone Co. |
| 310726 | Shiawassee Telephone Company |
| 100024 | Somerset Telephone Company |
| 283301 | Southeast Mississippi Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 330952 | Southeast Telephorie Co. of Wisconsin, LLC |
| 452174 | Southwestern Telephone Company |
| 240544 | St. Stephen Telephone Company |
| 330955 | State Long Distance Telephone Company |
| 330954 | Stockbridge & Sherwood Telephone Company, LLC |
| 421951 | The Stoutland Telephone Company |
| | Strasburg Telephone Company |
| 462207 | |
| 170206 | Sugar Valley Telephone Company |

| · | Amiliated ETCS |
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| SAC | Name |
| 290578 | Tellico Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 290575 | Tennessee Telephone Company |
| 330958 | Tenney Telephone Company, LLC |
| 100007 | The Island Telephone Company |
| 300662 | The Vanlue Telephone Company |
| 320829 | Tipton Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 150129 | Township Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 320830 | Tri-County Communications Corporation |
| 120049 | Union Telephone Company |
| 330963 | Utelco, LLC. |
| 150133 | Vernon Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 190253 | Virginia Telephone Company |
| 100031 | Warren Telephone Company |
| 330968 | Waunakee Telephone Company, LLC. |
| 100034 | The West Penobscot Telephone and Telegraph Company |
| 320837 | West Point Telephone Company |
| 240551 | Williston Telephone Company |
| 120050 | Wilton Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 361507 | Winsted Telephone Company |
| 542323 | Winterhaven Telephone Company |
| 310738 | Wolverine Telephone Company |
| 432034 | Wyandotte Telephone Company |
| 539002 | UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION |
| 529001 | YAKIMA MSA I.P. dba US CELLULAR |
| 339007 | UNITED STATES CELLULAR OPERATING CO. |
| 359016 | UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION |
| 429007 | USOC OF GREATER MISSOURI |
| 379019 | USCOC- NE |
| 299010 | US CELLULAR OPERATING COMPANY, LLC-TN |
| 159015 | NY RSA 2 CELLULAR PARTNERSHIP |
| 239006 | US CELLULAR OPERATING COMPANY, LLC - NC |
| 129002 | US CELLULAR OPERATING COMPANY, LLC- NH |
| 349007 | USCC - IL |
| 209005 | USCC-WV |
| 199004 | UNITED STATES CELLULAR OPERATING CO, LLC-VA |
| 109002 | USCC-BANGOR CELLULAR TEL. CO. |
| 439004 | USCC-USCOC OF OK RSA #10,1NC |
| 419012 | USCC - USCOC of Greater Iowa, Inc. |
| 159014 | ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY RSA CELLULAR PARTNERSHIP |
| 100017 | |

Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form

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Form must be submitted to USAC and filed with the Federal Communications Commission

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Deadline: January 31st (Annually)

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| 249023 240536 | -See Attached Sheet- |
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| -See Attached Sheet- | -See Attached Sheet- |
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| 1240 | 0 | 86 |

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| 330 | 182 | 148 | 17 | 165 | 38 |

AND/OR

In the space below, please list the program eligibility data sources, such as ETC access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and indicate for which qualifying programs (e.g., SNAP, SSI) these sources are used to verify subscriber eligibility. If any of subscribers are subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in columns D through I as appropriate and not in columns J through L.

| B) | I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to re-certify consumer eligibility by relying on |
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| ŕ | USAC . Results are |
| | provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this |
| | certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial DJW |

| J | К | L |
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| Number of Subscribers Whose Eligibility was Reviewed By State Administrator ETC Access to Eligibility Data or by USAC | Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled as a Result of Finding of Ineligibility by State Administrator, ETC Access to Eligibility Data or USAC | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 824 | 477 | 63 |

OR

C) I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. **Initial**_____

<u>Section 3</u>: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SECTION 3 —De-enroll percentage What is the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC?

| M | N | 0 | P = N + O | $Q = ((P \div M) * 100)$ |
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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 (From Column A) | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility (From Column H) | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of a Finding of Ineligibility (From Column K) | Total Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-E nrolled | Percentage of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled that were Claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 |
| 1240 | 165 | 477 | 642 | 51% |

Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

| Is the ETC Pre-Paid? | | | |
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| Yes ☐ No ☑ (A Pre-Paid ETC does not assess or collect a monthly fee from its Lifeline subscribers) | | | |
| If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S below | | | |

Non-Usage Results Applicable to Pre-Paid ETCs:

| R | S |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| Month | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage |
| January | |
| February | |
| March | |
| April | |
| May | |
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| August | |
| September | |
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| November | |
| December | |

Signature Block: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SIGNATURE FIELDS

By signing below, I certify that the company listed above is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above.

FCC Form 555 December 2013

Signed,

| Dewaine J. Wilson | Dewaine J. Wilson | |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| Signature of Officer | Printed Name of Officer | |
| CFO | Jan-08-14 | |
| Title of Officer | Date | |
| Valerie Ancrum | 843-538-9383 | |
| Person Completing this Certification Form | Contact Phone Number | |

ETC Identification

| SAC | ETC Name |
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| 249023 | Palmetto Telephone Communications |
| 240536 | Palmetto Rural Telephone Cooperative Inc. |
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Holding Company Name(s)

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| Affiliated ETCS | | | | |
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| SAC | Name | | | |
| 249023 | Palmetto Telephone Communications | | | |
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Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form

All carriers must complete all or portions of all sections
Form must be submitted to USAC and filed with the Federal Communications Commission

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Deadline: January 31st (Annually)

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| State (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provide a c | certification form for each state in which it provides Lifeline service). |
| 240539 | PBT Telecom Inc. |
| Study Area Code(s) (SAC) | ETC Name(s) |
| Comporium | Comporium |
| Holding Company Name(s) | DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s) |
| Affiliated ETCs (include names and SACs, attach additional sheets if necessary) | -See Attached Sheet- |

Provide a list of all ETCs that are affiliated with the reporting ETC. Affiliation shall be determined in accordance with section 3(2) of the Communications Act. That Section defines "affiliate" as "a person that (directly or indirectly) owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, another person." 47 U.S.C. § 153(2). See also 47 C.F.R. § 76.1200.

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Section 1: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 1- Initial Certification

I certify that the company listed above has certification procedures in place either to:

- A) Review income and program-based eligibility documentation prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company was presented with documentation of each consumer's household income and/or program-based eligibility prior to his or her enrollment in Lifeline or
- B) Confirm consumer eligibility by relying upon access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program.

I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. **Initial** <u>BS</u>

Section 2: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 2- Annual Recertification

Do not leave empty columns. If an ETC has nothing to report in a column, enter a zero.

| A | В | С |
|---|--|---|
| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year | Number of Lines Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to Wireline Resellers | Number of Subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 that were initially enrolled in current Form 555 calendar year |
| 398 | 0 | 398 |

Initial the certifications below that apply to your ETC and complete the tables corresponding to the certification below. Depending on the state, BOTH CERTIFICATION A AND B MAY APPLY.

A) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify the continued eligibility of all of its Lifeline subscribers, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company obtained signed certifications from all subscribers attesting to their continuing eligibility for Lifeline. Results are provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial BS

| . D | Е | F =D-E | G | H = (F+G) | l |
|---|--|---|---|--|--|
| Number of Subscribers ETC Contacted Directly to Recertify Eligibility Through Attestation | Number of Subscribers Responding to ETC Contact | Number of Non- Responding Subscribers | Number of Subscribers Responding That They Are No Longer Eligible | Number of Subscribers De-enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 398 | 271 | 127 | 2 | 129 | 23 |

AND/OR

In the space below, please list the program eligibility data sources, such as ETC access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and indicate for which qualifying programs (e.g., SNAP, SSI) these sources are used to verify subscriber eligibility. If any of subscribers are subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in columns D through I as appropriate and not in columns J through L.

| B) | I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to re-certify consumer eligibil | ity by relying on |
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| | provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to | make this |
| | certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial | |

| J | К | L |
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| Number of Subscribers Whose Eligibility was Reviewed By State Administrator ETC Access to Eligibility Data or by USAC | Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled as a Result of Finding of Ineligibility by State Administrator, ETC Access to Eligibility Data or USAC | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |

OR

C) I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. **Initial**

<u>Section 3</u>: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SECTION 3 –De-enroll percentage What is the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC?

| M | N | 0 | P = N + O | $Q = ((P \div M) * 100)$ |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 (From Column A) | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility (From Column H) | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of a Finding of Ineligibility (From Column K) | Total Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-E nrolled | Percentage of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled that were Claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 |
| 398 | 129 | 0 | 129 | 32% |

Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

| Is the ETC Pre-Paid? | |
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| Yes No ✓ (A Pre-Paid ETC does no | ot assess or collect a monthly fee from its Lifeline subscribers, |
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If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S below.

Non-Usage Results Applicable to Pre-Paid ETCs:

| R | S | | |
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| Month | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage | | |
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Signature Block: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SIGNATURE FIELDS

By signing below, I certify that the company listed above is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above.

FCC Form 555 December 2013

Signed,

| L.B. Spearman | L.B. Spearman | |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| Signature of Officer | Printed Name of Officer | |
| Vice President | Jan-30-14 | |
| Title of Officer | Date | |
| L.B. Spearman | 803-210-5528 | |
| Person Completing this Certification Form | Contact Phone Number | |

ETC Identification

| SAC | ETC Name | | | |
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| 240539 | PBT Telecom Inc. | | | |
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Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form

All carriers must complete all or portions of all sections
Form must be submitted to USAC and filed with the Federal Communications Commission

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Deadline: January 31st (Annually)

| South Carolina | |
|---|---|
| State (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provide a | certification form for each state in which it provides Lifeline service). |
| 240538 | Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. |
| Study Area Code(s) (SAC) | ETC Name(s) |
| Holding Company Name(s) | DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s) |
| Affiliated ETCs (include names and SACs, attach additional sheets if necessary) | |

Provide a list of all ETCs that are affiliated with the reporting ETC. Affiliation shall be determined in accordance with section 3(2) of the Communications Act. That Section defines "affiliate" as "a person that (directly or indirectly) owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, another person." 47 U.S.C. § 153(2). See also 47 C.F.R. § 76.1200.

For purposes of this filing, an officer is an occupant of a position listed in the article of incorporation, articles of formation, or other similar legal document. An officer is a person who occupies a position specified in the corporate by-laws (or partnership agreement), and would typically be president, vice president for operations, vice president for finance, comptroller, treasurer, or a comparable position. If the filer is a sole proprietorship, the owner must sign the certification

Section 1: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 1- Initial Certification

I certify that the company listed above has certification procedures in place either to:

- A) Review income and program-based eligibility documentation prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company was presented with documentation of each consumer's household income and/or program-based eligibility prior to his or her enrollment in Lifeline or
- B) Confirm consumer eligibility by relying upon access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program.

I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial

Section 2: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 2—Annual Recertification

Do not leave empty columns. If an ETC has nothing to report in a column, enter a zero.

| A | В | C |
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| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year | Number of Lines Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to Wireline Resellers | Number of Subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 that were initially enrolled in current Form S55 calendar year |
| 91 | 0 | 0 |

Initial the certifications below that apply to your ETC and complete the tables corresponding to the certification below. Depending on the state, BOTH CERTIFICATION A AND B MAY APPLY.

A) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify the continued eligibility of all of its Lifeline subscribers, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company obtained signed certifications from all subscribers attesting to their continuing eligibility for Lifeline. Results are provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial

| D | Ε. | F=D-E | G | H = (F+G) | 1 |
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| Number of Subscribers ETC Contacted Directly to Recertify Eligibility Through Attestation | Number of Subscribers Responding to ETC Contact | Number of Non- Responding Subscribers | Number of Subscribers Responding That They Are No Longer Eligible | Number of Subscribers De-enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Incligibility | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 91 | . 75 | 16 | 12 | . 28 | 0 |

AND/OR

In the space below, please list the program eligibility data sources, such as ETC access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), and indicate for which qualifying programs (e.g., SNAP, SSI) these sources are used to verify subscriber eligibility. If any of subscribers are subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in columns D through I as appropriate and not in columns J through L.

B) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to re-certify consumer eligibility by relying on Documentation provided by consumer ______. Results are provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial

| Whose Eligibility was Subscribers De-Enrolled or De-Enr | r of Subscribers Who |
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| ETC Access to Eligibility Data or by USAC State Administrator, ETC Access to Eligibility Data or USAC | olled Prior to fication Attempt |

OR

C) I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial _____

Section 3: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SECTION 3 – De-enroll percentage What is the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC?

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| 91 | 28 | Ö | 28 | 31 |

Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

| Is the ETC Pre-Paid? | | | |
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| Yes 1 | No (A Pre-Paid ETC does not assess or collect a monthly fee from its Lifeline subscribers) | | |
| If yes, reco | ord the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S belov | | |

| R | S |
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| Month | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage |
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Non-Usage Results Applicable to Pre-Paid ETCs:

By signing below, I certify that the company listed above is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above.

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| |
| Randal J. Odom |
| Printed Name of Officer |
| 1/31/14 |
| Date |
| 864-682-3131 Contact Phone Number |
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| South Carolina | |
|---|---|
| State (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provide | e a certification form for each state in which it provides Lifeline service). |
| 240546 | Sandhill Telephone Coop., Inc. |
| Study Area Code(s) (SAC) | ETC Name(s) |
| N/A | N/A |
| Holding Company Name(s) | DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s) |
| Affiliated ETCs (include names and SACs, attach additional sheets if necessary) | N/A |

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| 812 | 0 | 22 |

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|--|--|---|---|--|--|
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| 726 | 509 | 217 | 0 | 217 | 178 |

AND/OR

In the space below, please list the program eligibility data sources, such as ETC access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), and indicate for which qualifying programs (e.g., SNAP, SSI) these sources are used to verify subscriber eligibility. If any of subscribers are subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in columns D through I as appropriate and not in columns J through L.

| B) | I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to re-certify consumer eligibility by relying or |
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| , | N/A Results are |
| | provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial |

| J | К | L |
|---|---|--|
| Number of Subscribers Whose Eligibility was Reviewed By State Administrator ETC Access to Eligibility Data or by USAC | Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled as a Result of Finding of Ineligibility by State Administrator, ETC Access to Eligibility Data or USAC | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |

OR

C) I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial _____

Section 3: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SECTION 3 – De-enroll percentage What is the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC?

| M | N | О | P = N + O | $Q = ((P \div M) * 100)$ | |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility | Number of Subscribers De- Enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of a Finding of Ineligibility | Total Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-E nrolled | Percentage of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled that were Claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 | |
| (From Column A) | (From Column H) | (From Column K) | | | |
| 812 | 217 | 0 | 217 | 27% | |

Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

| Is the ETC Pre-Paid? |
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| Yes No (A Pre-Paid ETC does not assess or collect a monthly fee from its Lifeline subscribers) |
| If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S below. |

Non-Usage Results Applicable to Pre-Paid ETCs:

| R | S |
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| Month | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage |
| January | |
| February | |
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Signature Block: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SIGNATURE FIELDS

By signing below, I certify that the company listed above is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above.

| Signed, | |
|---|-------------------------|
| L' Lee Chambers | C. Lee Chambers |
| Signature of Officer | Printed Name of Officer |
| CEO/Manager | January 29, 2014 |
| Title of Officer | Date |
| Jeanne Oliver | 843-658-6845 |
| Person Completing this Certification Form | Contact Phone Number |
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Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form

All carriers must complete all or portions of all sections

Form must be submitted to USAC and filed with the Federal Communications Commission

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Deadline: January 31st (Annually)

| SC | |
|---|---|
| State (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provide a | certification form for each state in which it provides Lifeline service). |
| 240550 | West Carolina Rural Telephone Cooperative Inc. |
| Study Area Code(s) (SAC) | ETC Name(s) |
| Holding Company Name(s) | DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s) |
| Affiliated ETCs (include names and SACs, attach additional sheets if necessary) | |

Provide a list of all ETCs that are affiliated with the reporting ETC. Affiliation shall be determined in accordance with section 3(2) of the Communications Act. That Section defines "affiliate" as "a person that (directly or indirectly) owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, another person." 47 U.S.C. § 153(2). See also 47 C.F.R. § 76.1200.

For purposes of this filing, an officer is an occupant of a position listed in the article of incorporation, articles of formation, or other similar legal document. An officer is a person who occupies a position specified in the corporate bylaws (or partnership agreement), and would typically be president, vice president for operations, vice president for finance, comptroller, treasurer, or a comparable position. If the filer is a sole proprietorship, the owner must sign the certification

Section 1: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 1- Initial Certification

I certify that the company listed above has certification procedures in place either to:

- A) Review income and program-based eligibility documentation prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company was presented with documentation of each consumer's household income and/or program-based eligibility prior to his or her enrollment in Lifeline or
- B) Confirm consumer eligibility by relying upon access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program.

I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial MLV

Section 2: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 2- Annual Recertification

Do not leave empty columns. If an ETC has nothing to report in a column, enter a zero.

| A | В | С |
|---|--|---|
| Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year | Number of Lines Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to Wireline Resellers | Number of Subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 that were initially enrolled in current Form 555 calendar year |
| 254 | 0 | 8 |

Initial the certifications below that apply to your ETC and complete the tables corresponding to the certification below. Depending on the state, BOTH CERTIFICATION A AND B MAY APPLY.

A) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify the continued eligibility of all of its Lifeline subscribers, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company obtained signed certifications from all subscribers attesting to their continuing eligibility for Lifeline. Results are provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial MLV

| D | Е | F=D-E | G | H = (F+G) | I |
|---|--|---|---|--|--|
| Number of Subscribers ETC Contacted Directly to Recertify Eligibility Through Attestation | Number of Subscribers Responding to ETC Contact | Number of Non- Responding Subscribers | Number of Subscribers Responding That They Are No Longer Eligible | Number of Subscribers De-enrolled or Scheduled to be De- Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility | Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt |
| 12 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 |

AND/OR

In the space below, please list the program eligibility data sources, such as ETC access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and indicate for which qualifying programs (e.g., SNAP, SSI) these sources are used to verify subscriber eligibility. If any of subscribers are subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in columns D through I as appropriate and not in columns J through L.

B) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to re-certify consumer eligibility by relying on USAC

provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. Initial MLW

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| 242 | 146 | 10 |

OR

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| 254 | 0 | 146 | 146 | 57% |

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Signature Block: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SIGNATURE FIELDS

By signing below, I certify that the company listed above is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above.

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Signed,

| Michael L Wolf | Michael L Wolf | |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| Signature of Officer | Printed Name of Officer | |
| Chief Financial Officer | Jan-17-14 | |
| Title of Officer | Date | |
| Kerri Hall | 864-446-2111 | |
| Person Completing this Certification Form | Contact Phone Number | |

ETC Identification

| SAC | ETC Name |
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| 240550 | West Carolina Rural Telephone Cooperative Inc. |
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